## **CLAIMS**

## I claim:

- 1. A body stroking apparatus comprising:
  - a housing having a channel extending longitudinally therealong;
- an arm extending outwardly from said housing through said channel and vertically upwardly therefrom;
  - a crossbar extending outwardly transversely to said arm;
- a plurality of flexible members affixed to said crossbar and extending downwardly therefrom; and
  - translation means connected to said housing for moving said arm along said channel.
- 2. The apparatus of Claim 1, said arm comprising a L-shaped member having a lower portion extending outwardly through said channel.
  - 3. The apparatus of Claim 2, said arm further comprising:
    - a receptacle formed at a top of said L-shaped member; and
- a rod detachably received in said top of said L-shaped member and extending upwardly therefrom.
  - 4. The apparatus of Claim 3, said crossbar being affixed to said rod.
  - 5. The apparatus of Claim 4, said crossbar comprising a clamp secured to said rod, said

clamp for adjusting a height of said crossbar along said rod.

- 6. The apparatus of Claim 1, said crossbar having a hook-and-loop material affixed to an exterior surface thereof, said plurality of flexible members having a surface with a strip of complementary hook-and-loop material secured to said hook-and-loop material of said crossbar.
- 7. The apparatus of Claim 1, said plurality of flexible members comprising:

  a plurality of flexible strips extending downwardly from said crossbar in generally parallel relationship to each other.
  - 8. The apparatus of Claim 1, said plurality of flexible members comprising: a plurality of beaded lines extending downwardly from said crossbar.
  - 9. The apparatus of Claim 1, said plurality of flexible members comprising:

    a plurality of flexible strands extending downwardly from said crossbar.
- 10. The apparatus of Claim 1, said plurality of flexible members extending downwardly from said crossbar for a distance less than a vertical length of said arm.

11. The apparatus of Claim 1, further comprising:

a mat with a surface suitable for receiving a human body thereon, said mat positioned adjacent a side of said housing, said crossbar extending over a top of said mat.

- 12. The apparatus of Claim 1, said translation means for moving said arm back and forth from one end of said channel to another end of said channel.
  - 13. A body stroking apparatus comprising:

a housing having a generally flat surface;

an arm extending outwardly from said housing and upwardly therefrom;

a crossbar affixed to said arm and extending outwardly therefrom;

a plurality of flexible members affixed to said crossbar and extending downwardly

therefrom; and

a translation means connected to said housing for moving said arm along a length of said housing.

- 14. The apparatus of Claim 13, said housing having a channel extending longitudinally therealong, said arm extending through said channel, said translation means for moving said arm back and forth in said channel.
- 15. The apparatus of Claim 13, said crossbar extending outwardly from a side of said arm opposite said housing.

16. The apparatus of Claim 13, further comprising:

a mat with a surface suitable for receiving a human body thereon, said mat positioned adjacent a side of said housing, said crossbar extending over a top of said mat.

- 17. The apparatus of Claim 13, said crossbar comprising a clamp secured to said arm, said clamp for adjusting a height of said crossbar along a vertical portion of said arm.
- 18. The apparatus of Claim 13, said crossbar having a hook-and-loop material affixed to an exterior surface thereof, said plurality of flexible members having a surface with a strip of complementary hook-and-loop material secured to said hook-and-loop material of said crossbar.
- 19. The apparatus of Claim 13, said plurality of flexible members extending downwardly from said crossbar for a distance less than a vertical length of said arm.
- 20. The apparatus of Claim 14, said arm comprising a L-shaped member having a lower portion extending outwardly through said channel.